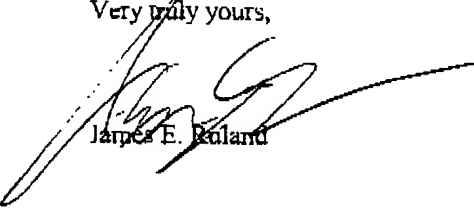


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Dear Examiner Ildebrando

Attached is a declaration along with a proposed amendment to claim 1 for discussion during tomorrow's interview per today's teleconference. In addition, I would like to discuss the status of claim 19 added by our reply filed August 5, 2002.

Very truly yours,


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1. **(Thrice Amended)** A catalyst comprising at least one oxide matrix, at least one zeolite having a porous network and at least one hydro-dehydrogenating element located on the matrix and selected from the group consisting of elements of groups VIB and VIII, wherein the zeolite contains in said porous network at least one element of group VIB ~~and/or group VIII~~, the catalyst also comprising at least one promoter element selected from the group consisting of boron, silicon, and phosphorus.

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